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### The Spraying Season.

As the climate in Southern Utah is much earlier than that in the North, we give the following, which we clip from the Oregon Agriculturist and Rural Northwest:

"In the last California Fruit Grower Mr. Leonard Coates, one of the most successful fruit growers of California, says, 'Don't forget to spray with a good fungicide now.' Now is the time because stronger compounds can be used now than after the foliage has started. There are very few fruit trees which do not need a thorough spraying to destroy both fungus and insects and to clean off the moss. For use at this season to destroy both insects and fungus nothing is better than Spray No. 1 (lime, sulphur and salt) or No. 2 (lime, sulphur and blue vitriol). These are the only compounds that effectively destroy the San Jose scale. They also kill the eggs of other noxious insects. The No. 3 is effective in destroying the Woolly aphis. Either of these will clean the moss off the trees and are good fungicides. They are carefully prepared from the best materials and boiled and compounded in a way that no person can equal with ordinary facilities by David M. Dunne & Co., Corner First and Alder Sts., Portland, and require only to be dissolved in hot water and diluted according to directions to be ready for use. Messrs. Dunne & Co. also prepare Bordeaux mixture, resin wash, pure whale oil soap etc."

In regard to the De La Mar works shutting down, we clip the following from the Salt Lake Tribune:

Your correspondent has it from good authority that it was entirely due to the organization of the Miners' union and the fear of a strike that the company closed down, and that they acted wisely

the outcome will show. This shut-down throws about 400 men out of employment, and its effect will be immediately felt to a marked degree. Nothing definite can be learned in regard to how long the shut-down will last, but I do not believe that it will extend over this month.

### Panacea Notes.

Panacea, Feb. 27, 1896.

Editor UNION—

February came in with a snow storm, and we had snow or sleet most every day up to the 21st.

Teamsters report 3 feet of snow on the summit between Panacea and Desert Spring.

Very little freight is arriving, it being unloaded upon the roadside or stored at Milford, some however, are bringing half loads, on the promise that they receive double freight charges for the same.

Lagrippe in a severe form abounds here. Scarcely anybody has escaped it, especially among the children, whom it uses pretty rough. Thus far, however, but one death has resulted from it, the one year old son of Wm. and Lizzie Edwards who died on the 17th inst.

Elder Levi Syphus, who was laboring as a missionary in Tennessee, was obliged, on account of his poor health, to return home. He arrived on the 17th inst. Since his return his health has been on the improve.

Frank C. Lee and Arthur V. Lee will leave some time in April for the Indian Territory, where they go to serve the Lord in the missionary field.

The young folks participated in the dance on Washington's birthday.

We regret to learn that the DeLamar works, at DeLamar, Nev., will close down next week. This will be a bad thing for the country, for it is the main dependence of Lincoln Co., and also Sevier Co., Utah.

There is a likelihood of the Pioche Con. M. Co's. property at Pioche, Highland and Jack Rabbit, being put in motion this coming spring. A company having made them a proposition to lease it for one year.

Some ore from the Buro mine at State Line was successfully treated at the Phoenix Reducing Co's works the other day by the electro magnetic process. It being worked up to 95 per cent.

Charley Lytle was down from Date Line the other day, and it is presumed that he was negotiating with Mr. W. S. Godlie to have his ores reduced at the Phoenix Co's mill at Bullionville. Charley has some good property at State Line.

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### Springdale Notes.

SPRINGDALE, March 4, 1897.

Editor UNION—

The work of sowing grain is again retarded by the storm. Last night the storm began and this morning the earth is shrouded in its white mantle. While we would like fair weather long enough to get our grain in, we feel that the storms are a God-send to us, as we think they will insure good crops this season. We anticipate good fruit crops this year as the storm has put the buds back nicely.

Well, Grover is no more President. We hope President McKinley will do at least as well as the now ex-President has done. We trust he will not annul two of the Statutes of the United States. Do you think we will get international Silver through the present administration?

The health of the people is not very good, as there are lots of colds among the children and some among the grown people.

John S. Winder returned home on horse back, having left his wagon at Pine Spring on the Long valley road. He started out a week ago last Wednesday for the valley, and when he got to Pine Spring was obliged to leave the wagon, as the snow was so deep that he could not move it farther. Snow is five feet deep on the Long Valley divide. So it will be seen that while we had an unusually beautiful fall for travelling it is quite the reverse now. DIXIE.

### "Blind Man's Buff" on Pruning.

SPRINGDALE, March 4, 1897.

Editor UNION—

Apple trees need but very little pruning, except to keep the small sprouts from growing, which can be done by brushing them off with the hand. They may occasionally need cutting back, and especially those varieties like the Limber Twig, which, by the by, is one of our best winter varieties for this Dixie climate. The Northern Spy and others, which need a two-story ladder in fruit picking time, may need their tops shortened in.

Peach trees need more pruning. They should be thinned out occasionally and should be shortened in every fall and winter. In shortening

ing in it is necessary to cut off at least one-third of the new growth and then thin out the little branches; then if they bear over full and are not thinned by the frost or wind they should be thinned with a stick.

Most plum trees need trimming. Nectarines are apt to grow too tall, and want sprouting in to keep them in good order. Where apricots are propagated from buds or grafts they need but very little pruning. Seedlings need more pruning. All dead or sickly limbs should be carefully pruned out from all kinds of fruit trees.

The Mountain currant will not stand much pruning. If you prune it too much you get but little fruit. The English currant is different. The blackberry should have the tops cut off and all the old bearing wood cut close to the ground, and all the unnecessary sprouts from wandering shoots be cut down, or you will soon have a patch which you cannot penetrate.

The raspberry needs as close pruning as the grape and all the old bearing canes kept pruned out. The tops of the new growth of the black-cap varieties should be kept pinched back through the growing season, unless you want them to take root to get new plants. The black caps need to be trellised, as they are heavy bearers and often bend to the ground with their fruit. Dewberries should be trellised—especially the white ones—as they run nearly like a melon vine. Grape vines should be pruned in December or January to prevent the bleeding and to cause the fruit to set closer to the stock if they are left till spring as the earliest and best fruit form near the tip end of the last year's growth if not prevented by early pruning your crop is later and not so good. I will next say a little about spraying.

BLIND MAN'S BUFF.

### Overton Overtakes.

Overton, Nev. Feb. 26, 1897.

Miss Nellie Wedge, late of Panacea will take the St. Thomas school. She will commence her work Monday, Feb. 28th.

Reno Cragun, late of St. George, has rented a large farm from Liston Bro's, for the purpose of putting up wild hay which he will market at De La Mar.

Married.—Edward Johnshack to Miss Nellie Swapp, both of Overton. They will make their home at Overton for awhile. Rose Bad.